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Corps announces final reissuance of Nationwide Permits for Idaho

WALLA WALLA, Wash. – Reissuance of Nationwide Permits for the State of Idaho have been finalized, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Walla Walla District Regulatory Division staff announced. Water Quality Certifications issued by Idaho Department of Environmental Quality and the Environmental Protection Agency and Regional Conditions approved by the Corps were the last steps in the reissuance process.

On March 12, 2007, in Part II of the *Federal Register* (72 FR 11092), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) announced the reissuance of all existing Nationwide Permits (NWP), general conditions, and definitions with some modifications.

The Corps also issued six new NWP, two new general conditions, and 13 new definitions. The NWP were effective on March 19, 2007. An index of the NWP is enclosed. These NWP are activity-specific and authorize certain activities in non-tidal waters of the United States that have minimal adverse effects on the aquatic environment.

Corps of Engineers Northwestern Division approved regional conditions and Idaho Department of Environmental Quality and Environmental Protection Agency water quality certification conditions for the 2007 Nationwide Permits (NWP). Regional conditions provide additional protection for the aquatic environment, by ensuring the NWP authorize only those activities with minimal adverse effects on the aquatic environment.

Regional conditions will help protect high value waters within the District. The NWP, regional conditions, and water quality certifications for Idaho are available on the Internet at:
www.nww.usace.army.mil/html/offices/op/rf/nationwide_nww.htm. If you do not have access to the Internet, you may obtain a copy by calling (509) 527-7150 and asking for the Consolidated 2007 Nationwide Permits for Idaho.

For further information about the Department of the Army permit program in Walla Walla District, please visit our Home Page at the Internet address listed above or call us at (509) 527-7150.

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